

Working hard in Year 1

During our topic of MINI-BEASTS the children will explore and investigate their local environment and begin to be aware of the similarities and differences between mini-beasts. Through imitating the actions of mini-beasts and enacting life-cycles the children will have the opportunity to develop confidence and imagination in movement.

The children will experience working with a variety of materials as they make models and explore a range of creative tasks. The children will talk and write about mini-beasts and draw them.

Come and see our fantastic mini beast assembly in a few weeks time!

Miss Couling & Mrs McAree



In Class your child will be expected to:

- Always try their best.
- ♦ Try to make their work better.
- ♦ Be kind to their friends.
- ♦ Work as a team.

Things your child will need in Class:



P.E. kit - dark blue shorts , pale blue t-shirt, plimsolls or trainers, in a small bag (drawstring if possible) and a water bottle.
PE is on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

READING

It's really important for your child to read **regularly** at home—**every day if possible!**

Your child has a 'Reading Journal'. In this we write all the books they are given to read at home. Please read with them every night and write the page they have read up to, so we can check on their reading progress. It's important not just to read the words but to think about the story and the characters, what might happen next and why, and why you think a character is behaving in a particular way. Ask questions to check their understanding of what is happening in the story.

When you listen to your child read encourage them to read with expression. If your child comes across an unfamiliar word encourage them to use clues to work out what it might be—it can be jotted down in their reading record book. When your child has finished a book they need to bring it back and ask for it to be changed—there is no set day for changing books, we will try to ensure it is changed as soon as possible after your child has finished reading it.



Phonics Screen

Your child has been working hard to learn their sounds in phonics. Please help them to practise the real words and alien words they bring home to get them ready for the screen, which will happen later in the Summer term. You will get a letter nearer the time.. Remember to make it fun. You could even make up some alien words together!



What will we be learning ?

Literacy

In Literacy we will be learning about instructions; this will include reading and writing instructions. We will also look at stories based on mini-beasts.



Numeracy

In Numeracy we will be learning to count in 2's, 5's and 10's, linking this to money. We will be also be expanding our understanding of addition and subtraction, including the recall of number facts. We will be beginning to multiply and divide.



Geography

In Geography we will be looking at different minibeasts and their habitats. We will be looking at maps and plotting different habitats onto maps.



Science

In Science we will be learning about minibeasts and their life cycles. We will find out about things such as their body structures, what they eat and begin to find similarities and differences to help us to sort them.



Art/D.T—

In art we will be using a range of different materials to design and make a collection of different mini beasts.



R.E. — In R.E we will be looking at belonging. We will look at some of the groups we belong to. We will learn about what it means to belong to a Jewish or a Christian family.



and....

French

P.E

P.S.H.C.E

and much more !

For parents and carers

Thank you for supporting your child in Year 1. Please help your child in the following ways:

- ◆ Check that ALL of their possessions, especially fleeces, sweatshirts, P.E. kits, including plimsolls and book bags are named and easily identifiable. Many names have washed out at this stage in the year and some new uniform items have not been labelled!

- ◆ Encourage your child's growing independence by letting them sort out their own coat, shoes reading folder, etc. We understand that this takes them time at first so remember to allow for it.



- ◆ Listen to them read, or ask them about their books and encourage them to read **every** day.
- ◆ Practise numeracy skills in a fun, friendly and informal way – number games, mental arithmetic and addition facts.

- ◆ Encourage and support them to do their homework by themselves. Please make sure they have a pencil. Coloured pencils would also be useful to help them complete some work.



- ◆ Come and ask if you or your child have any worries – however small.
- ◆ Remember, we have more time to listen after school than in the mornings.

Remember..... Broadwood Children

- ◆ Always try their best
- ◆ Are kind and considerate to everyone.
- ◆ Always do their **HOMEWORK**, which they will receive on a **FRI-DAY** and bring it back to school on **WEDNESDAY**
- ◆ Read regularly to an adult at home.
- ◆ Look after their own things and respect school equipment.
- ◆ Always remember their P.E. kit.
- ◆ Bring their reading book to school **EVERY DAY!**



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Welcome to



Year 1

**SUMMER TERM
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